Evenings with Boureleault.

BALES AT AUUTION. LBERT H. NICOLAY, AUCTIONEER—ALBERT H. Nicolay & Co. will so lat auction on Wednesday, Dec. at half past ten o'clock, at 117 Grand street, near Broadly, neat household furniture including manogany an ok wahut bedestands, bedding, chairs, Brussels and intil carpets, wardrobe, sefa hedsteads, parlor chairs, and usual appendages. To be sold wishout reserve.

A UCTION NOTICE.—BY WM. W SHIRLSY-LARGE And peremptory cash sale.—Wednesday, Doc. 14, as 10½-clock, at 82 John serves, 500 lost, call kinds crockery, risas, oys, Reckingham and yellow ware, Britannia and cullery, large assortment worthy the notice of rotaliers and

A UCTION NOTICE—THOS. BELL, AUCTIONERS.—
By W. S. Ingraham.—Large sale this day, as 10% clock, in the sales rooms, No. 10 North William street, of a sook of dry goods, clothing and pledged goods, beds, bedding, irraiture, blankets, quilts, shoets, hosiery and furnishing ritcles. Also, without reserve, the balance of invoice of rich twelry, vases, plated ware, cutlery, guns, two cases boots and shoes, pictures, segare, four trunks of elething, four plendid watches, &c.

D street.—Large and peremptory sale of 3,000 cases India rabber shose, of the second quality on Tauraday, December 5,183, at 1 c'clock, at their sales room No. 30 Broad street. For approved endorsed notes at six months, three thousand cases India rubber shoen, manufactured under the Charles Goodysar patent, and to be sold without reserve—she only sale to be made this season. Catalogues and samples the

way; sale positive. Sheriff's sale of printing materials, n Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1853, at 10 A. M., at No. 162 Fultreet, consisting of Wathington and Napler present, of card present rollers, inking and outting machines, chases, cases, atanda, galleys, composing stones, rules.

HOR SALE.—FOR SALE, AT PUBLIC AUCTION, AT the Morehante Exchange, on Wednesday, the lath December, instant, the undimined house and lot, 168 East Piff. the context street, one house from Suryocanis agains. For further particulars inquire of ANTHONY J. BLEECKER, Auctioneee, No. 7 Broad street.

NINANCE DEPARTMENT. COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
New York, December 12, 1853—Auction Notice.—The old
cargine house, tracticity, and control of the old
did of Forty-eighth strict, and the street, with the street,
now attantion in Forty-eighth street, with he sold at a public
auction to the highest bidder on Friday, December 23, at
20 clook M, at the Comptroller's Office, No. 5 fall of
Records. The purchaser will be required to remove the same
without unnecessary delay. Terms cash.

FURNITURE AND NEW STOVES AT AUCTION.—G. B. HORTON, auctioneer, will sell this day, at 10% of clock, at No. 13 Sixth avenue, new and second-hand furniture, oil paintings, pier plasses, counters, eccelery, &c. Alse at 13 o'clock, four dozon parlor and cocking stoves sold with out reserve.

MORTGAGE SALE. -S. M. CRISTALAR, AUCTIONEER.

22 Bowery, will sell on Thursday, the lith, at Il o'clock, large and valuable assortment of men's winter clothing ma piece goods, consisting of cassimers, satinet, and cloth root, dress, sack, and over con's and jackets; do pants of inferent styles and patterns; ingured Valuncia, nath, silk, and velvet vosts; youth's ready made clothing, and shirts and grawers; also cassimers, astinets, broad and pilot loths, velvetcone, linings, plushes, vostings, do, well worshy the attention of the trade

PO IRON WORKERS AND MACHINISTS.—AUCTION sale of an iron Tailing manufactory.—Will be sold permeterly, on Saturday, the 17th inst, commencing at 10 t. E., at the premises known as Massachusetts Iron Works, Hebbans, N. J., sil the tools, patterns, savils, &c., with a manufactured railings; also, a quantity of bar, and, sorap and sheet iron; also, a steam engine and apparent; also, the leasehold interest of the present coupants in a calc gramies. The wide will be sold without reserve, a context of the Sherif of Hudson county.

WM. WITTERS, AU. TIONEER. WILL SELL, THIS day, at 10½ colors, 't 167 charal street, all the genteel household furniture of a family, consisting of sofas, city gant rosewood and mahegan y mirble top tables, library booksaces, args mirrors rock, wand other chairs, clegant tapeatry, and three-ply carp is, oliciotis, together with a large and general assortuent of chamber and kitchen furniture; 2 good cook stowes and fixture wo folices, glass and plated warr; also, one case of folic mibrer boots and shoes; also, one case of toys, and counters, shown lies, lamps, signs, 4. also, 2 cases of silk bonnets; also, show 20 sets of furry also, Olycross of rill buttons, one case lines shirts; two second-hand planes. Sale peremptory, for each.

A MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPORTIONS
General Committee will be held this evening, the lith
inst., at half-past seven colock, at the Stuywarn, Ta, withte,
Business of the utmost imperance will be laid tofore the
committee, Punctual attendance is particularly requested.
THOS J. BARK, Charman.

G. G. GLASER. Socretaries.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITtee.—At a meeting of the above sommittee, held at
Stuyvesan institute, on Tuesday evening, December 6, 1985,
the following resolutions were adopted:—
Received, That the Democratic Republisan electors of the
city and county of New York, friendly to regular nominations and the principles and unages of the party, De requested
to assemble in their respective wards on the 15th day of December inst, between the hours of Sand 7 of clock, P. M., et
the places hereinafter designated, to elect three delegates
from each ward to form a General Committee for the year
1864, and to assemble at Suyvesant Institute on the first
Thursday of Jeanary next, at half pest seven o'clock, P. M., A
Ward Committee to consist of lifteen persons, to meet at
such time and slace in their respective wards as they may
select. Five delegates from each ward to - Dumocratic Republican Young Men's Committee, for theyear 1854.
Resolved, That the election in pursuasae of the foregoing
resolutions shall be held at the following places, and by the
following inspectors, via:—
First ward—At 10 Green wich street; John F. Williams,
Samuel Auld, Charles Gamon, Inspectors.
Third ward—At 57 James street; James P. Martin, A.
J. McCarly and E. A. King, Inspectors.
Futh ward—At 57 James street; John Riddon, William
Phillips and William Locker, Inspectors.
First ward—At 57 James street; John Riddon, William
Phillips and William Locker, Inspectors.
Seventh ward—At Seventh Ward Headquarters, Madison
street; L. W. Green, William A. Adams and Hugh McCaftry, Inspectors, Kohert Linn, Samuel hong and James
Armalrong, Inspectors, With and Schoter L. Law, Lawrence of the seventeers
Wilth ward—At Solich Hole, No. 90 Perry street; James
Punch ward—At Solich Hole, No. 90 Perry street; James
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Tonth ward—At the corner of Allon and Grand streets, Charles Merritt, John W. Thorp and Edmund A. Stewart, Inspectors.

Eleventh ward—At No. 29 avenus C, corner of Third street, John H. Bokerk Simeon Deckor and John Ray, Inspectors.

Twelfith ward—At MeGann's, 100th etroet and Blooming-dale road; Charles Wills, Michael Galligan and Thomas Nugent, Inspectors.

Thirteenth ward—At No. 430 Grand street; Marcus D. Bonner, Richard G. Nowkirk and samuel Huser, Inspectors.

Fourteenth ward—At No. 47 Prince atree; Theodors Suydam, James Smith and John Cavannagh, Inspectors.

Fifteenth ward—At Stayveant Institute; John Gilmore, Hornes Sogart and George C. Genet, Inspectors.

Sixteenth ward—At No. 29 Tensh avenue; Francis O'Neil, Philip Ecker and Francis Early, Inspectors.

Seventeenth ward—At Hermitage Hall, Timethy Donovan, James W. Hartel and Bernard Nowman, Inspectors.

Eighteenth ward—At Isace Moran's, corner of Seventeenth sard—At Little Tammany, Eighty-fourth and Eighty fifth streets, and Third avenue; James W. Walch, James Saddler, Charles H. Wheeler, Inspectors.

Twenty-frat ward—At No. 503 Eighth avenue; Andrew J. Dunn, Cornelius Ryan, Thomas H. Klornan, Insyctors.

Twenty-frat ward—At Names McNuttle, corner of Sevententh ward—At Name, Third avenue; James W. Walch, James Saddler, Charles H. Wheeler, Inspectors.

Twenty-frat ward—At Names McNuttle, corner of Sevententh ward—At Name, Third avenue; James W. Walch, James Resjamin N. Cullard, Inspectors.

Twenty-rest ward—At James McNuttle, corner of Seventh avenue and Thirty-fifth street; Peter Masterson, James Ravin Benjamin N. Cullard, Inspectors or if any wavaney shall otherwise ceer, the remaining Inspectors are levely authorised to appoint another person to act; and in case the Inspectors for any ward determine to change the Blace for holding the Stay of the Stay of the Stay of the Stay of the Peter Stay of the Stay of

PIGHTH WARD.—PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENI dation of the Democratic Whig General Committee, an
election will be held in this ware at Oberle's Hotel, No. 64
wooster street, on Thursday note, 16th Deember, between
the hours of 7 and 9 A. M., for the purpose of recoting delegates to the Old and Young Men a General Committee, and
also a Ward Committee for the ensuing year. By order,
HART B. WEED
JOHN M. SWITH
WILLIAM BOGERT
Published by order of Ward Committee.
Enward Greene, Sec. JOHN M. SMITH, Chairman.

DEVENTH WARD.—WARD COMMITTEE—THE MEM
bers of the Democratic Republic in Ward Co unlittee are
requested to meet on Wednesday eventing, December 14, 1853,
at 725 colects, as the beadquarters, 173 Endous street, with
out further notice, on business of importance. By order of
the Chairman.

A. F. GALLAGHER.

Secretarios.

TWENTY SECOND WARD PRIMARY ELECTION.—
The understraed, being duly appointed impectors for the primary election to be held in the Twenty second ward on the 56th inst, pursuant to a resolution passed by the De mocratic Republican General Committee, at Stuyresant Institute, on the 6th inst, and directed by said committee to designate the place for helding the same, do hereby give notice that said election will take place at Corry's, corner of Forty sixth street and Ninkh avenue, on said 15th inst., between 5 and 7 c'clock P. M.

P. M.
EDWARD SWEENY,
JAMES SLAVEN,
THOS. HIGGINS,

SPECIAL NOTICES.

BLACK TIGERS - YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND a meeting of the Black Tiger Club, to be held at the den, on Wednesday evening, December 14, at 9 o'clock, P.M. By order of the Emperor.

A. G. Reck. Secretary.

CAUTION TO BROKERS.—BROKERS AND OTHERS

Are cautioned not to purchase a patent for 160 acres of
land at Mineral Point, Wisconsin, issued in fav r of "Addison Parasworth, a lioutenant and captain in the Mexican
war," &c., &c. The same was lost on Sunday last, between
the corner of Broadway and Fulton street and Fulton ferry.
A suitable reward will be paid for it if returned to the
owner at the office of the New York Dutchmap, No. 208
Broadway, roem No. 16.

INDEPENDENCE LCDGE, NO. 158, I. O. O. F.—THE
I members of the above Ledge archereby notified to attend
the regular meeting, this (Wednesday) evening, as business
of importance will require their attendance.

LNO LYLLY Sevenance.

D. ABBOTT, JR., N. G.

MASONIC.—THE MEMBERS OF POLAR STAR LODGE No. 215 F. A. M., are requested to meet at their lodge room No. 119 avenue D, on Wednesday evening, the lodge inst., as business of impertance will be brought before the lodge. N. PECK, W. M. J. M. SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE -STEAMSHIP UNION, FOR CHARLESTON.—
The above vessel having been detained, in consequence of the late gale, will leave on Thursday. Dec. 15, at 3 o'clock P. M. procisely, from pier No. 4 North river.

DANAMA FRANSIT TICKETS.—A. M. HINELSY, I late forwarder on the Isthmus for Adams & Co.'s Browness. In now proposed to foruish passenger and baggage tickets from Aspinwall to Panama. Passenger alckets purchased in New York take precedence in choice of mules, &c. Apply to JOHN W. CARRINGTON, (Adams & Co...) No. S. Broadway.

Broadway.

WAKEFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, NO. 3.—THE members are hereby notified to attend the next regular meeting, fon Friday evening, Dec. 16, on business of imputance. J. ANDREW HANDSCHUCH, Socretary. LIQUORS, &C.

W INES, LIQUORS, FEGARS, ETC., OF ALL THE best brands—At wholessle, from bond or store, at 30 per cent below any house in the city, in quantities to suit pur chasers. Country huyers are requested to call.

WM. H. UNDERHILL, 450 Broome street, corner Crosby PRANDIES, WINES, WHISKEY, GIN, RUM, ALES Detter, segars, &c., &c., imported by WM. H. UNDER HILL, 450 Strooms street, corner of trosby, for family or medical uses, and or sale at 20 per cent below any other house. Persons requiring supplies for the holidays are in vited to impact the stock.

E. CAZET. IMPORTER OF BRANDIES, GINS, WHISLikeys, wines and segars, &c., has removed to No. 7 Whitehall street, continuation of Broadway.
CEVERAL CASES OF EXTRA PINE HAVANA SEGARS,
Der steamer Blace Warrier, to be sold at ancion on
Thursday, December 15, by HEBRY II. LEEDS & CO., No. 8
Wall street, for account of whom it may concern.—Very superb and cestly regalize. Lendres, and milers, common size,
all fully warranted, and the best ever offered at auction.

SEGARS - 65, '00 IMPORTED HAVANA SEGARS, SOME very extra quality for sale for each or approved credits, much below the market price, at No. 85 Liberty street Persons acquainted wich purchasers will be allowed a liberal commission for selling.

TO DISTILLERS AND DEALERS IN SPIRITS.—THE underrigned respectfully inform the above that the true

TO DISTILLERS AND DEALERS IN SPIRITS.—THE A undersigned respectfully inform the above that the true strength of all spiritu us liquors way now be obtained, being made and adjusted from the only original stat dard hydromoter, as made by John G. H. Ronketti, April, 1851, and certified by Dr. Chilton, April 30, 1851, (and which is in our possession,) from which all our instruments are made; and of order to ascertain that such instruments are from said standard they will be marked as under, from this date—"By John G. H. Ronketti."

J. PRENTICE, No. 1 Chambers strict, manufacturer of standard meteorological instruments, hydrometers, and of all metals and all other instruments in the above branches.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

EXCITING INFORMATION FROM WASHINGTON.

Duel Anticipated Between Senator Gwin and Secretary Cuthrie.

INTERESTING CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS. Another Blow at the Administration from the Senate.

Opposition to the Appointment Policy. No Progress Made on the Pacific Railroad

LATE FROM HAVARA AND TEXAS.

THE RAILROAD TROUBLES AT ERIE. POLITICS-NAVIGATION-MARKETS,

Events in Washington City.

THE SENATE AGAIN EXHIBITING ITS OPPOSITION TO THE ADMINISTRATION—THE ASSISTANT TREASURER TO BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT—TRIALS AND THIBULATIONS OF MR. GUTHRIE—THE HOUSE COM-MITTEES—THREATS AND WAILINGS OF THE UNION

The Senate continues the work commenced yesterday in the election of printer. The resolution passed to-day, making the position of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury a Presidential appointment, is with the view of giring Mr Guthrie a premonitory slap. It was stated in the Herald, several weeks ago, that one of the first acto the proceedings to day prove the correctness of the inforwill carry out his previously expressed opinion and decertain the nomination would be rejected by the Sosate. In either case, Mr. Suthrie says he will resign. If the House pass the resolution a new secretary must be hunted up, and Mr. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, is already mentioned for the position.

from the complexion of the Mississippi Legislature, he will meet very little difficulty in doing so.

The quid nuncs have it that, in that case, Jerry Clamens or Howell Cobb would be taken into the Cabinet. Can you not, in this patching up business, induce the President to dispense with the services of the great patch on the administration, and 5 thus give some hope of a The members of the Senate who have been bitten by

the Presidential magget seem to have lost all their in dependence, and have become the merest creatures of hich the Speaker has distributed the committees. On

the Ways and Means not a single new member is found, because of his known opposition to harbor and river imof the Judiciary. The Union makes quite a wailing over the repudiation

of its course by the Senate, charging it directly with be ing open in opposition to the administration—i. c, trea son. Its assistant here blackguards those Senaturs who did not see fit to vote for it. Bullying, however, scarcecly appears to affect the Senate, although it at first frightened the House. PETER THE HERMIT.

FOR BUNCOMER—THE QUESTION OF ANNEXING THE SANDWICH ISLANDS AND CUBA—NATIONAL DEMO-CRATIC SERBNADES—COMMITTER MEN INDIGNANT— THE HERALD'S CORRESPONDENTS, ETC.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13-81/4 P. M. The votes in the House, both yesterday and to day, upon the abstract principle of the government building railroads through the territories of the United States, afford no inin the construction of a railroad to the Pacific comes before Congress. The present voting is mere skirmishing, and the shaky gentlemen vote on the rigid construction

A resolution will shortly be introduced into Congress, affirming the policy of annexing the Sandwich Islands and the necessity of acquiring Cubs, mainly for the pur-pose of effectually suppressing the slave trade which is now carried on there to such a frightful extent. The prospects of a lively session are visibly on the increase

friends last night; and afterwards Mr. John Wheeler, of New York, was complimented in a similar manner be cause of his manly course in the House. Both gentlemen made speeches returning thanks.

The Committee of Ways and Means feel greatly depressed this evening, in consequence of the refusal of the House to give them a clerk, as they wished. It is unusual not to give such important committee all they ask, from a petty clerk up to an indefinite appropriation. Mr Housten, the chairman, it is under-stood declares his intention of resigning his position if the House do not treat his recommendations with more respect. To avert such a national calamity it is possible

Nearly every man here, conspicuous for his inde-pendence, is charged by the governmental toadies with being your correspondent. Already "Peter the Hermit" and "Asmedeus" have been laid to be account of senstors, members, naval officers, &c. What capital guess

FLARE-UP BETWEEN SENATOR GWIN AND SECRETARY GUTHRIE-PROSPECT OF A DUEL, ETC.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18-10 P. M.

Quite an excitement has been created here to-day in consequence of a personal difficulty which has arisen between a distinguished democratic Senator and a member

of the Cabinet, which threatens to result in an analy of honor. The facts are briefly as follows:—
Senator Gwie, accompanied by Mr. Latham, M. C., of California, called upon Mr. Guthrie, Secretary of the Treatury, this morning, for the purpose of attending to some business connected with the'r State; during the in-terview Mr. Guthrie's manner, it is alleged, became so offensive that Messrs Gwin and Lathem picked up their hats and left the room abruptly. On arriving at his residence, Mr. Gwin immediately addressed a note to Mr. Guthrie demanding satisfaction for his insulting conduct. Mr. Guthrie, it is understood, has not yet replied; but although he is not remarkable for politeness te is not lacking in personal courage, nor is he debarred from the duello by religious considerations, like the late

one duel as principal.

Mr. Cushing, and other members of the Cubinet, and, we believe, the President also, have been actively ea gazed during the day in endeavoring to settle the dif-ficulty; but, up to the present time, unsuccessfully. Both Mr. Gwin and Mr. Gu'hrie are gentlecen great resolution, and this antidpated there will be some difficulty in preventing a hostile meeting.

EUSINESS AT THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT -FATHEI GAVAZZI- SPNATOR CLAY-THE GARDNER TRIAL-DONOGH WILL CASE-THE UNION AND THE PRINTING, ETC.
PRON A REGULAR NEWSPAPER AGENT.

Washington, Dec. 13, 1853.

The tetal amount of drafts registered at the Freasury during the week endirg 10th December, was \$1,332,294, including \$225,770 for the redemption of the public debt.

Father Gavaszi's lecture here to night passed off quietly. Scarcely one hundred persons were present. The Gardner case was resumed this morning, Mr. Carlials opening for the defandant.

Carlisle opening for the defendant.

In the Supreme Court to day, Montgomery Blair and Nathaniel Hatch, of the District of Columbia, were admitted to the bar. In the case of McDonough's energy ters vs. the United States, the decrees below were affirmed; and in cases 7, 9, and 11, the United States vs. McDonough's executors, the Gerrees were reversed. Case

2, th \* State of Penn ylvania against the Wheeling and Welms at Bridge Company and others, motion was dismissed have want of prosecution.

In Executive session to day, the Sena'e received a measure from the President, nominating a large number of postmasters. It was referred.

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The Union don't like the election of Beverley Tucker,
as printer to the S. vante, and says:—"We have no reason to believe that the democratic Senators who united
with whige and abolitio, date to defeat General Armstrong,
were actuated by person. I opposition to him nor have
we reason to suppose that it was the result of personal
objection to the editor of the Union. We are forced
to regard the course as dictated by political
considerations, and as our stepport of the administration has been constant, earnest, and realous, we
can attribute it to no other motive than opposition to the
policy of the administration. Having herefolder statained that policy against all assentia, whether from
whigh, abolitionists or factious democrats, we shall neither abate our real nor modify our energies under present
circumstances. We know that the Pre-fident stands immovably upon his policy, and will not be driven from the
faithful execution of it by any combination or oracition
that may be formed, however formidable it may seem
to be."

THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS. FIRST SESSION.

The Senate commensed at half-past twelve o'clock.

Mr. HUNTER, (dem.) of Va., from the Finance Commit tes, to which was referred the communication of the Sec retary of the Treasury respecting the manner of paying Senotors, reported a bill to regulate the disbursement of

The bill provides that hereafter all money appropriat ed for pay and urleage of Senators shall be drawn from the treasury by the Secretary of the Senate, and by him dis-bursed as directed by the Senate. The Secretary of the Senate hereafter to be considered the disbursing officer of the government, and to give an annual bond of \$20,000.

BEFORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS, RTG. of the departments, showing the amount of appropria-tions for each expended.

A large number of petitions were withdrawn from the

PAUVATE BONDED WARRENDESS.

Mr. HUNTED gave notice of a bill to extend the ware-houseing system by establishing private bonded ware-house.

ASSETANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.—HOW AT THE MCRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Mr. Bright. (dem.) of Ia., from the Finance Committe, reported a bill prescribing the manner of appointment of Assistant Scortary of the Treasury, by making the appointment by the President and Secate. He read a list of all the executive officers where appointments have to be confirmed by the Senate, and said that most of them were of far less importance than that of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The bill was read a third time and passed.

MAIL STRAMERS RETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO AND CHIMA.

Mr. Gwin. (dem.) of Cal., introduced a bill establishing
a line of meil steamers from San Erancisco to Shanghai.
China, via the Sandwich Islands. Referred. PRICE OF THE FURIL LANDS—THE SMALL NOTE GURRENCY IN THE BENEFIC OF COLUMNA.

Mr. ADAMS, (dem.) of Miss., introduced a bill to reduce and graduate the price of public lands. Referred.

Also, a bill to suppress the circulation of all notes under five dollars as currency, in the District of Columbia. Referred.

Mr. Fish (whig) of N. Y., introduced a bill to reimburse the Common Council of New York for expenses incurred in supporting the First regiment of New York Volunteers. Referred.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—ADJOURNMENT.

The Seaste then went into executive session, and in tenminates adjourned. HE NEW YORK VOLUNTEERS AND THE NEW YORK COMMON

House of Representatives. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13, 1858.

Mr. Mauricz, (dem.) of N. Y., moved the reconsideration of the vote by which the House rejected Mr. Bayly's

resolution providing for the election of the House Li-THE HOUSE LIBRARIAN. Mr. HUBBARD, (dem.) of N. H., moved to lay the resolu-

CLERK WANTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS Mr. Hotsron, (dem ) of Ala., offered a resolution authorizing the Committee of Ways and Means to employ clerk, a a compensation not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year.

Debate followed, for and against making the clerk a permanent officer, and then the resolution was tabled.

CONTEST FOR THE SHAT FROM NEW MINICO.

Mr. STANTON, (dem.) of Ky., presented the memorial of Gov Lane, contesting the seat of Mr. Gallegos, delegate from New Mexico. Referred to the Committee on Flections.

RAILROAES AND MAIL ROUTE THROUGH TERRITORIES—MR. WASHBURKE'S RESOLUTION TABLED.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution of Mr. WASHBURKE, (whig) of Idiatis—That as incidental to and indispensable for the exercise of the powers conferred by the constitution upon the Congress of the United States, to provide for the common defence and general welfare, is the power to construct railroads through the territories of the United States, for the purpose of facilitating the transportation of mails and munitions of war.

The resolution was laid on the table, by yeas 118, nays 74.

Mr. Beffit, (dem.) of III, offered a joint resolution tendering the thanks of Congress to General Wool, for his distinguished services at the battle of Buena Vista, and providing that the President of the United State cause a word to be presented to him. Referred to the Committee of Mulitary affairs.

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Mr. Yatts (whig) of Ill, offered a preample and resolution asserting that the construction of a railroad through the territories of the United States, is imperiously demanded for the sale and rapid transportation of nails, monitions of war, public money; and whereas the people are favorable to the 'construction of such a road from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, regarding it in a political, financial and social aspect; and whereas such road is necessary to unite the extremes of the Union, therefore resolved, that it is the duty of this Congress, as scon as it can be done, from the reports of the surveys ordered last Corgress, as to the best practicable route, to gas an act for the early commencement and speedy compistion of such route.

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On the motion of Mr. Jones, (Jem.) of Tenn., it was tabled by peas 119, maya 68, as follows:

Year-Mesers, Abercombie, Aiken, James C. Allen, Willis Allen, Ashe, Bailey of Georgia, Bayly of Virginia, Banke, Barkedale, Berry, Belcher, Bliss, Becock, Boyce, Brackenidge, Brooks, Caskie, Clamberlain, Chastain, Carisman, Churchwell Cling ann. Cobb. Colquitt, Craige, Davis of Indiana, Dawson, Bent, Devikt, Disney, Dawdell, Prum, Dundans, Dawson, Bent, Devikt, Disney, Dawdell, Prum, Dundans, Dawson, Bent, Beritot, Fuller, Gamble, Goode, Green, Fauther, Florence, Franklin, Fuller, Gamble, Goode, Green, Fauther, Florence, Franklin, Fuller, Gamble, Goode, Green, Hautier, Hellburd, Hillyor, Houston, Ingersoll, Jahnson, Jones of New York, Jones of Tennesses, Keitt, Kerr, Kidwell, Ktirfidge, Kurt, Lamb, Lane, Letcher, Lilly, Mo-Neir, McQueen, Mace, Macy, Maurice, Maxwell, Miller of Inciana, Millison, Morrison, Murray, Nichols, Noble, Oliver of New York, Orr, Packer, Peck, Peckham, Parkins of New York, Smith of Tennesses, Smith of Alabama, Saodgrass, Show, Shower, Simmons, Singlebon, Sketlon, Smith of New York, Smith of Tennesses, Smith of Alabama, Saodgrass, Staphens of Georgia, Stuart, Taylor of New York, Wright of Tennesses, Smith of Alabama, Saodgrass, Chin, Show, Shower, Simmons, Singlebon, Sketlon, Smith of New York, Smith of Tennesses, Smith of Alabama, Saodgrass, Harlan of Ohio, Harrison, Holder, Witte, Wright of Missachispip, and Wright of Fennsylvania.

Nava.—Mesers, Ball, Benson, Bissell, Bugr, Campbell Chic, Uaruthers, Charder, Clark, Cook, Corwin, Gox, Crocker, Cullom, Davis of Rhode Island, Dick, Dickinson, Edmands, Ellison, Rheridge, Everlart, Farley, Flager, Giddings, Harlan of Ohio, Harrison, Hiddlesworth, Miller of Missachuetts, Yates, and Zollicofer.

The House then adjourned.

Interesting from Texas.

RESIGNATION OF GOV. BELL—COMPLETION OF THE BOUNDARY SURVEY—LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Rew Orleans papers of Wednesday are to hand. They contain further Texas news.

Governor Bell had resigned his office, and the duties had devolved on Lieut. Gov. Henderson

General Jones had returned from the frontiers, and reported the Indians all quiet.

General Campbell, the Commissioner of the boundary survey, completed.

The schooner Star, at New Orleans from Brazos, brought \$162.000 in specie. Lieut. Stay: U. S. Army, died on board on the 25th uit.

A resolution had been introduced fixing 1st July, 1856, as the period before which the holders of the public debt who have been adjudged to have a lieu on the \$5,000,000 flud itserved by the United States, as creditors to whom the duties on imports were pledged, shall file the releases required by the proviso of the bundary act, or their claims shall be annulled. Judging from the tops of the Austin Gaucte, these bomplisory measures to bring the creditors to a final settlement speedily, would be likely to pass both houses.

Tampice dates to the 9th are received. Col. Jose Barrerio had been appointed Prefect of the department of Tamaglipas.

Late from Hav and Key West. RECEPTION OF CONSUL GLAYTON—MARINE DISAS-TERS—LOSS OF THE BRIGANTINE SHAMBOCK, STC. Cha Unston, Dec. 11, 1853.

The steamship Isabel has arrived here, bringing Havans

Consul Clayton had been duly received.

The British ship of war Vestal, at Havarm, reported

The British ship of war Vestal, at Havans, reported that on the 18th of November the brigantine Shamrock, from Matanzas for Philadelphia, was lost on Colorados reef, and the hull soid for \$208.

Sugars were flat in the Havans market, and the new crop was coming in. Coffee was in demand, and rum active. In codich a fair business was doing. Lard and lumber were in active request. Freights duil. Exchange languid, at 3 premium on New York and Boston.

The brig Rufus Scule, of New York, bound from Wilmington for New Orleans, arrived at Key West in a leaky condition, and was repairing.

The British ship Courser would sail in a week fer Liverpool. Salvage awarded 14 per cent on \$140,000, minus expenses.

The Ratiroad Trunbles at Eric.

Eun. Dec. 18, 1853.

The railroad company commenced relaying the trainand reduiting the bridge at Harbor Greek this afternoon but it is thought they will be torn up again to morrow. The U. S. District Court has been occupied all day in hearing arguments of counsel for an injunction in the frie Railroad case. The decision will probably be given a morrow.

Steam Boller Explosion.

Pirrsume, Dr. 18, 1853.

The boiler at Nicholson & Payne's foundry exploded this afternoon, dreadfully scalding two men. Breaking the ize of another, and also aeriously injuring Mr. Nicholson. The sufferers all survive.

Massachusetts Municipal Elections,
Wordsfire, Bec. 13, 1863.

J. S. C. Knowlton: (dem.) editor of the Pallatium, was elected liayor of this sity, yesterday.

Boston, Dec. 13, 1858.

Roxbury, has elected Liaus Comins, Mayor, and Charles town, James Adams, both whige.

Judicial Election in South Carolina, Charleston, Dec. 11, 1853. Robert Mourge was elected Judge yesterday at Colum-bas, vice Frost, resigned.

The schooser H. S. Barner, from Boston, Dec. 13, 1883., with a corgo of fish, &c., streek on Watch Hill reef, at 11 P. M., on the 17th inst. She was got off on the morning of the 12th, and breached at the south side of Fisher's leisted. The crew are saving the cargo, and if the weather configures moderate, the vessel may possibly be saved: Large Fire at Fairfield, Conn. New Haven, Dec. 13, 1853. Large Fire at Foarfield, Conn.

New Havax, boc. 13, 1853.

The large new public house at Fairfield, known as the
Marine Hotel, was burned down at 1 o'clock this morning. The building, which was built in 1847, for a fanionable hotel, had a frontage of 300 feet, and the loss is
not less than \$30,000. The house was closed for the season, and the fire was doubtless the work of an incendiary.
A barn belonging to H. Rowland took fire from the flames
of the hotel, and was also consumed.

The Weather and Favigation.

BUFFAIO, Dec. 13, 1853.

The weather is still junusually warm and pleasant. The steamer Mayflower leaves to night for Detroit, touching at Gerelaud.

Syracuss, Dec. 13, 1853.

The weather is clearing up this afternoon, and becoming pleasant and mild. Boats are still running.

GLEVRIAND, Dec. 13 1853.

The weather is mild and cloudy. Cansl and Lake Navigation is uninterrupted. Steamers, propellers, and sailing ressels are arriving and departing daily.

The rales of cotton to-day have been 5.000 bales, at firm prices. The stock on hand is now 205,000 bales. Sterling exchange is at 9 a 9% prom. Freights to Liverpool, 12-18d.

at Sc. a 10%c.

Cincinnati, Dec. 13, 1853.

Cur market for hogs is steady; sales of 3,000, at \$4.25
a \$4.30. The receipts to this date are 74,000 short of the same time last year. Provisions are inanimate; prime tarrelled hard, 80.; shoulders, 50.; sides, 4%co; mess pork, \$11.50. flour has declined to \$5. Freights are high, say 31 for posk to New Orleans and 75c for flour.

SHIPWRECK OF A BRITISH SHIP AND RESCUE OF THE CREW AND PASSENGERS BY AN AMERICAN VESSEL.—The British bark Meridan, bound to Sydney, Australia, from London, atruck on a rock on the S. W. end of the Island of Amterdam, August 24, and went to pieces immediately. The passengers, 105 in number-among whom were seven teen women and forty-one children-passed six days on almost barren rocks, sheltered only by a piece of canvass, hen they were rescued from their borrible situation by the American whalitg bark Monmouth, (of Celd Spring, I. I.,) Capt. I. Luclaw, who was engaged four days in the humane work. The spot on which they were gathered being unapproachable, the unfortunate people had to pass over to the other side or the island, along precipiwere taken on board the whaler after a three days jour-ney, and carried to the Mauritius, when they held a meeting and passed resolutions expressing their grateful sense of the noble conduct of Captain Ludlow; and the don for the purpose of procuring a piece of plate, with suitable inscription, which is to be forwarded to the family of Capt. Ludlow, in the United States.

THE STRANSHIP HUMBOLDY.—A despatch received yester-day from Halifax states that the Humbeldt was fast breaking up, and would, very probably, soon go to pieces. Out of the four hundred and fifty tons which composed her cargo on leaving Havre, but about two hundred will be saved. A previous despatch, cated the 12th, said the steamer Marien arrived on the afternoon of the 10th, and was rendering assistance, but the cargo was being got out with difficulty. The cargo forward was all under water, as was also the stern, on the larboard side, as far as the wheelhouse, and but very little of the mashinery could be

seen at lew tide.

QUICK TRIP.—The bark Gem of the Sea, at Callao, Oct 31, from Melbourse, made the passage in thirty six days. This is three days shorter than the trip of the ship Ply mouth Rock, previously represented as the shortest mad

between those ports.

THE STRAMSHIP EUROPA will leave her dock at Jersey City

THE STRANSHIP EUROPA will leave her dock at Jersey City at one o'clock to-day, for Liverpool. She had about sixty passengers engaged yesterday, and between \$800,000 and \$900,000 in spec s.

THE STRANSHIP GEORGE LAW.—This admirable steamship came into p rt on Monday morning, having arrived off the bar on Sunday night. Her actual time from Aspinwall was ten days and four hours. In o dinary weather she can easily make the passage in eight days. She encountered very heavy winds in the Caribbean sea during all the passage up, and a severe northeasterly gale between Charleston and Cope Hatterss, which compelled other stransers to go into port, while she weathered the gale in the best manner, and proved herself to be an excellent sea boat. Her qualities were fully tested on this voyate, and all her pateregers speak of her and her officers in terms of high praise. A testimonial was presented to Capt. McGown, by the cabin passengers, on her outward passage. We give the letter in another column.

A large and fashienable audience assembled last evening at Hope Chapel, to listen to Bourcicault. His subject was "The Story of the Stage." At 8 o'clock the speaker appeared before the audience, and said—Ladies ed Lordon, and while there, was glad enough to escape the smoke and dirt of the town, and go out into the coun try to catch nature at her toilet. I went among plants and flowers, and stooped to pick one, when a voice be hind me asked me if I knew the name of the flower, and upon answering I did not, he repeated a long botanical Latin name, which puzzled me to repeat. Who has not met my gardener? But repeat. Who has not met my gardener? But I shall not confice you to the flower garden to night, but take you among the gardens of the muses. The speaker phasant was called Thespis, and from him comes the worship of Bacchuz, which we are here represented. At the sound of the bell the curtain of the stage was withdrawn, and presented a panorama of a dancing multitude, the picture of a comedy. In opportion to this, the speake gave the origin of the word tragedy, which seem from worshipping the goat. The speaker theu proceeded to give the origin of the rod Bacchus, which, he said, was nearly the same as a repetition of the history of Moses. Es was called in the Egyp ian language Micoa, a rame somewhat similar. The speaker then proceeded to give a history of the drama. The meanment orected to Thespis, had the date of its erection blot dut, but there was sufficient evidence to show that the first representation on the stage, was at least over 500 years before the Cristian firs. Eschilus was the father of the stage. The speaker then proceeded to speak of the mysteries of the worship of the god isis, spoken of by Moore. During this description the bell sounded again, the curtain was withdrawn, revealing a large temple all ed with worshippers, while the hearts were horrible with dark clouds and lighting, filling the votaries of lais with awe. Eschilus introduced the scroud speaker upon the stage, and thereby invented dialogue. In these days, the context was not for the mere yrize accorded, but for the pleasure of improvement and emilation. What a contrast with the present day, when people rush with greatest seal and vigor to what—a prize fight. The speaker then proceeded to give a narrisire of a visit he made with a friend to Athens, in search of the old Athenian stage. They found the ruins, and osating michaelms the ruins, and osating michaelms the ruins and osating with the was much applicated. The speaker here repeated the history of Prometheus, a marry to the Athenian faith, as the conversion of St. Paul is a speaker here repeated the history of Prometheus, and the one existed. The curtain again withdrawn, representing round, the Parthenon in the distance, and a vie saw thespis with his garland, and have followed him up till the full establishment of the Athenian stage. The speaker then proceeded to show the corruption of the Egyptian virtues by the Roman State. They were more copyists of the Greeks, and while Greece has left us smodels for admiration. Rome has left us models to avoid. They took Zues, the god whose nod shook the cleand-capped Olympus, and what did they make of him? Why, Japiter. And who was he? Why, a good type of a small tyrant; and a bad husband; nothing more. (Laughter and applanse) The Romans had nutwing of the mollishment of the Greeks. In their hands the stage declined. They were a people who sacrificed men not to gods, but the victorious generale, and threw them in amid applanting multitudes to be alsughtered by will be sais. Such a people as this deserved such rulers as Nero and Hilicophalus. They were fif for pothing more. To illustrate the full of the stage to bufferenery, the curtain was sgain withdrawn, and represented a multitude enjoying themselves in witnessing a har lequin performing on the stage with an ass—a great contrast with the previous simplicity of the Athenians. (This scene was applanded.) The next picture was Weelsey's celebrated entertainment given to Henry the Eighth, which brought the andience down to Shakspeare. The speaker said the iron bolt, prejadice, now began to be dra-n on his two herces, comedy and tragely. The spearer then gave a history of the Black Friary Hoosan and withdrew the curtain, giving the picture of the first presentation of the pay of Hamist. A grobesque wooden shed was presented, filled with a monly group of spectators, and Lowell was on the modern platform, playing Hamilett, and Shakspeare was playing the Ghost. (Applause) After a few remarks as to the want of appreciation of Shakspeare in his time, another ploture of a playing than the time of Quesn Elizabeth was schow. The play was represented in Reuben's room of Windsor Castle. Elizabeth was scated en a canopy, and before her as the distance of a few Elizateth was seated on a canopy, and before her, at the cistance of a few feet, on a temporary stage or platform, was Fallstaff, performing his part. The room was filled with a few of the satalites of the Queen. By way of illustrating the advance of the comedy, the curtain was again withdrawn, representing Queen Victoria in Routewin room witnessing the performance of one of the comedies of Bourcleault. This bringing the tales of the stage to the present day, the subject was here ended.

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MORNING.

Among the visiters attending the halls of Congress today were Sarni Effect of and Saff Effendt, Turkish officers
commissioned by Abbus Pasha, the Vicercy of Eg; pt, to
make a tour of observation over this country. They were
habited in rich and tasteful uniforms; and being flae
locking men, of elegant manners withal, attracted great
attention. Both these gentlemen speak English with flaency and correctness.

PRE-MPTIONS UNDER THE CHEROKEE TREATY.

It is held in the Departments that a claim for the
valuation of a pre-emption under the twelfth article of
the Cherokee treaty of 1638 6, stated by valuing agents
appointed by the Commissioners under that article, is not
valid without the adjudication and certificate of the
Court of Commissioners, as provided for in the seventeenth article of the treaty.

We learn that this goulleman's friends have very recently applied to the Secretary of the Navy to induce
him to order a commander to the Mediterranean to relieve Commander lograham, whose health is in such coadition as justly to alarm them. The application does not
come from him, we apprehend, though he, too, conceives that his health requires his speedy relief from his
present duties. We take it for granted that, under the
circumsiances, Secretary Dobbin will comply with the request of his friends as soon as his successor in the command of the st. Louis can be selected.

NAVY OFFICERS ORDRIED TO SURVEY THE ISFHENDS

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The following officers of the U. S. Navy have been ordered to take passage in the sloop of war Cyang, from Philadelphia, to be employed on the survey above mentioned, viz:—Lieut. Issae G. Strain, Passed Midshipmec Chae. Latimer and Wm. T. Truxton, and First Assistant Engineer John M. Maury.

NEGURET OF POST OFFICES.

We understand at the Department that some of the postmasters of the cities and large towas put the mail agent to great unscessary trouble by failing to write legibly on their packages their address. They also, many of them, omit the caunty and State, thus forcing the agent to open the package to learn where on his route to leave them.

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It has been decided by the government accounting officers that the clear measing of the law of February 24, 1812 requires that the companies shall be mounted in order to entitle the officers of Light Artillery to commutation of forage. No constructive mounting of the companies will fulfil the conditions of the law, or of the law of March 3, 1847.

IMPORTANT TO UNITED STATES PENSION AND NAVE It has been decided that the provisions of the acts of July 29, 1846, and February 20, 1883, so far as they relate to powers of attorney, are not considered applicable to the ordinary disbursements and semi-annual payments of Pension Agents or Navy Agents. These are not "claims" in the rense in which the term is used in those laws.

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